BCB BANCORP INC
Form 10-Q
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q
(Mark One)

## [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2007.

## Or

## [ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from $\qquad$ to $\qquad$
Commission File Number: 0-50275
BCB Bancorp. Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| New Jersey <br> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | $\frac{\underline{26-0065262}}{\text { (IRS Employer I.D. No.) }}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { 104-110 Avenue C Bayonne. New Jersey }}{\text { (Address of principal executive offices) }}$ | $\frac{07002}{(\mathrm{Zip} \text { Code })}$ |
|  | (201) 823-0700 |

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year if changed since last report)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.
[X] Yes [ ] No
Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and larger accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.


Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

## APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or $15(\mathrm{~d})$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by the court.
[ ] Yes [X] No

## APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS:

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date. As of November 13, 2007, BCB Bancorp, Inc., had 4,669,919 shares of common stock, no par value, outstanding.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION <br> ITEM I. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BCB BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition at September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006
(Unaudited) (in thousands except for share data )

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { At } \\ 30-\text { Sep-07 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { At } \\ \text { 31-Dec-06 } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |
| Cash and amounts due from depository institutions | \$ 3,172 | \$ 3,400 |
| Interest-earning deposits | 35,607 | 22,437 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | 38,779 | 25,837 |
| Securities held to maturity | 165,976 | 148,672 |
| Loans held for sale | 2,299 | 2,976 |
| Loans receivable, net | 347,346 | 318,130 |
| Premises and equipment | 6,011 | 5,885 |
| Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock | 5,560 | 3,724 |
| Interest receivable, net | 3,769 | 3,697 |
| Other real estate owned, net | 1,446 | - |
| Deferred income taxes | 1,208 | 1,238 |
| Other assets | 890 | 676 |
| Total assets | 573,284 | 510,835 |
|  |  |  |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |
| Deposits | 407,968 | 382,747 |
| Long-term Debt | 114,124 | 74,124 |
| Other Liabilities | 2,147 | 2,001 |
| Total Liabilities | 524,239 | 458,872 |
|  |  |  |
| STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY |  |  |
| Common stock, stated value \$0.06 |  |  |
| 10,000,000 shares authorized; $5,068,728$ and |  |  |
| $5,063,432$ shares respectively, issued | 324 | 324 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 45,676 | 45,632 |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 363,053 and 55,293 shares, |  |  |
| respectively | $(6,110)$ | (859) |
| Retained Earnings | 9,155 | 6,866 |
| Total stockholders' equity | 49,045 | 51,963 |
|  |  |  |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 573,284 | \$ 510,835 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## BCB BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Statements of Income

 For the three and nine months endedSeptember 30, 2007 and 2006 (Unaudited) ( in thousands except for per share data)


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| Income before income tax provision |  | 1,646 |  | 2,289 |  | 5,382 |  | 6,659 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income tax provision |  | 616 |  | 824 |  | 1,962 |  | 2,450 |
| Net Income | \$ | 1,030 | \$ | 1,465 | \$ | 3,420 | \$ | 4,209 |
| Net Income per common share-basic and diluted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| basic | \$ | 0.22 | \$ | 0.29 | \$ | 0.70 | \$ | 0.84 |
| diluted | \$ | 0.21 | \$ | 0.28 | \$ | 0.68 | \$ | 0.81 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| basic |  | 4,743 |  | 5,006 |  | 4,866 |  | 5,004 |
| diluted |  | 4,862 |  | 5,181 |  | 4,993 |  | 5,176 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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BCB BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity
For the nine months ended September 30, 2007
(Unaudited)
(dollars in thousands, except for share and per share amounts)

|  | Common Stock |  | Additional Paid-In Capital |  | Treasury <br> Stock |  | Retained <br> Earnings |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance, December 31, 2006 | \$ | 324 | \$ | 45,632 | \$ | (859) | \$ | 6,866 | \$ | 51,963 |
| Exercise of Stock Options (5,296 shares) |  | - |  | 44 |  | - |  |  |  | 44 |
| Treasury Stock Purchases (307,760 shares) |  |  |  |  |  | $(5,251)$ |  |  |  | $(5,251)$ |
| Cash dividends ( $\$ 0.23$ per share) declared |  |  |  | - |  |  |  | $(1,131)$ |  | $(1,131)$ |
| Net income for the nine months ended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September 30, 2007 |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | 3,420 |  | 3,420 |
| Balance, September 30, 2007 | \$ | 324 | \$ | 45,676 | \$ | $(6,110)$ | \$ | 9,155 | \$ | 49,045 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## BCB BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the nine months ended
September 30, 2007 and 2006
(Unaudited) ( in thousands)

|  | Nine Mon Septem 2007 | Ended <br> er 30, <br> 2006 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flows from operating activities : |  |  |
| Net Income | \$ 3,420 | \$ 4,209 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided |  |  |
| by operating activities: |  |  |
| Depreciation | 291 | 255 |
| Amortization and accretion, net | (471) | (480) |
| Provision for loan losses | 200 | 625 |
| Stock-based compensation | - | 25 |
| Deferred income tax | 30 | (215) |
| Loans originated for sale | $(19,666)$ | $(28,055)$ |
| Proceeds from sale of loans originated for sale | 20,701 | 27,608 |
| (Gain) on sale of loans originated for sale | (358) | (489) |
| (Increase) in interest receivable | (72) | (323) |
| Decrease in subscriptions receivable | - | 2,353 |
| (Increase) Decrease in other assets | (214) | 255 |
| Increase in accrued interest payable | 197 | 280 |
| (Decrease) Increase in other liabilities | (51) | 519 |
|  |  |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 4,007 | 6,567 |
|  |  |  |
| Cash flows from investing activities: |  |  |
| Purchase of FHLB stock | $(1,836)$ | (946) |
| Proceeds from maturation of securities held to maturity | - | 5,000 |
| Purchases of securities held to maturity | $(20,000)$ | $(37,500)$ |
| Proceeds from repayments on securities held to maturity | 2,705 | 3,775 |
| Net (increase) in loans receivable | $(30,400)$ | $(30,146)$ |
| Additions to premises and equipment | (417) | (92) |
|  |  |  |
| Net cash (used in) investing activities | $(49,948)$ | $(59,909)$ |
|  |  |  |
| Cash flows from financing activities: |  |  |
| Net increase in deposits | 25,221 | 19,967 |
| Proceeds of long-term debt | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| Repayment of long-term debt | - | $(50,000)$ |
| Purchases of treasury stock | $(5,251)$ | (56) |
| Cash dividend paid | $(1,131)$ | $(1,503)$ |
| Exercise of stock options | 44 | 84 |
| Stock issuance costs | - | (9) |


| Net cash provided by financing activities |  | 58,883 |  | 38,483 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents |  | 12,942 |  | 14,859) |
| Cash and cash equivalents-begininng |  | 25,837 |  | 25,147 |
| Cash and cash equivalents-ending | \$ | 38,779 | \$ | 10,288 |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash paid during the year for: |  |  |  |  |
| Income taxes | \$ | 2,176 | \$ | 2,487 |
| Interest | \$ | 12,351 | \$ | 7,491 |
| Transfer of loans to Real Estate Owned | \$ | 1,446 | \$ | - |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## BCB Bancorp Inc., and Subsidiaries <br> Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of BCB Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") and the Company's wholly owned subsidiaries, BCB Community Bank (the "Bank") and BCB Holding Company Investment Company. The Company's business is conducted principally through the Bank. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and, therefore, do not necessarily include all information that would be included in audited financial statements. The information furnished reflects all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of consolidated financial condition and results of operations. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 or any other future interim period.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and related notes for the year ended December 31, 2006, which are included in the Company's Annual Report on Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## Note 2 - Earnings Per Share

Basic net income per common share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding. The diluted net income per common share is computed by adjusting the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding to include the effects of outstanding stock options, if dilutive, using the treasury stock method.

## Note 3 - New Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions. This Interpretation requires that companies recognize in their financial statements the impact of a tax position, if that position is more likely than not of being sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. The provisions of FIN 48 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006, with the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle recorded as an adjustment to opening retained earnings. The adoption of FIN 48 did not result in a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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In September 2006, the FASB issued FASB Statement No. 157, Fair Value Measurements, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value under U. S. GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Statement No. 157 applies to other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for our Company January 1, 2008. We are currently evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of FASB Statement No. 157 on our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities-Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115." SFAS No. 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected will be recognized in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. SFAS No. 159 is effective for our Company on January 1, 2008. The Company is evaluating the impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 159 will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In March 2007, the FASB ratified Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 06-11, "Accounting for Income Tax Benefits of Dividends on Share-Based Payment Awards." EITF 06-11 requires companies to recognize the income tax benefit realized from dividends or dividend equivalents that are charged to retained earnings and paid to employees for nonvested equity-classified employee share-based payment awards as an increase to additional paid-in capital. EITF 06-11 is effective for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2007. The Company does not expect that EITF 06-11 will have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May 2007, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position ("FSP") FIN 48-1 "Definition of Settlement in FASB Interpretation No. 48" (FSP FIN 48-1). FSP FIN 48-1 provides guidance on how to determine whether a tax position is effectively settled for the purpose of recognizing previously unrecognized tax benefits. FSP FIN 48-1 is effective retroactively to January 1, 2007. The implementation of this standard did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial position or results of operation.

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## ITEM 2.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

## Financial Condition

Total assets increased by $\$ 62.5$ million or $12.2 \%$ to $\$ 573.3$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 510.8$ million at December 31, 2006. The Bank continued to grow assets, funded primarily through cash flow provided by retail deposit growth, and repayments and prepayments of loans and mortgage backed securities as well as the utilization of Federal Home Loan Bank Advances. During the first nine months of 2007 the Company increased both loan and investment security balances in an effort to deploy excess liquidity into assets with more competitive yields while managing the various levels of risk associated with those assets. Asset growth stabilized as management is concentrating on controlled growth and maintaining adequate liquidity in the anticipation of funding outstanding loan commitments. The primary composition of the Bank's assets has shifted more to loans reflecting management's desire to obtain higher yields from loan products than are obtainable from other types of investments. We intend to continue to grow our assets at a measured pace consistent with our capital levels and as business opportunities permit.

Total cash and cash equivalents increased by $\$ 13.0$ million or $50.4 \%$ to $\$ 38.8$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 25.8$ million at December 31, 2006. Investment securities classified as held-to-maturity increased by $\$ 17.3$ million or $11.6 \%$ to $\$ 166.0$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 148.7$ million at December 31, 2006. This increase was primarily attributable to the engagement of a leverage transaction for $\$ 20.0$ million funded through the utilization of an advance from the Federal Home Loan Bank, partially offset by $\$ 2.7$ million of repayments and prepayments in the mortgage backed securities portfolio during the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

Loans receivable increased by $\$ 29.2$ million or $9.2 \%$ to $\$ 347.3$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 318.1$ million at December 31, 2006. The increase resulted primarily from a $\$ 22.3$ million increase in real estate mortgages comprising residential, commercial, construction and participation loans with other financial institutions, net of amortization, a $\$ 608,000$ increase in consumer loans, net of amortization, a $\$ 5.6$ million increase in commercial loans comprising business loans and commercial lines of credit, net of amortization, and a $\$ 76,000$ decrease in the allowance for loan losses. At September 30, 2007 loan commitments that were not yet funded totaled $\$ 57.4$ million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the Company placed two loan relationships into real estate owned. A loan made in participation with another financial institution to Kara Homes became a parcel of real estate owned, and the estate of a deceased borrower also fell into this category. These facilities have been written down to $\$ 1.45$ million, an aggregate appraised value, less selling costs, as of September 30, 2007. At September 30, 2007 the allowance for loan losses was $\$ 3.7$ million or $117.32 \%$ of non-performing assets.

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Deposit liabilities increased by $\$ 25.3$ million or $6.6 \%$ to $\$ 408.0$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 382.7$ million at December 31, 2006. The increase resulted primarily from an increase of $\$ 14.6$ million in time deposit accounts and a $\$ 25.4$ million increase in transaction accounts, partially offset by a $\$ 14.7$ million decrease in savings and club accounts as the Bank has experienced a change in the composition of deposits with savings and club balances being reduced in favor of higher cost time deposits. Short term time deposit rates continue to be more competitively priced than core deposit rates as the yield curve remains slightly inverted following the Federal Open Market Committee decision to lower short term interest rates in September.

The balance of borrowed money increased by $\$ 40.0$ million or $54.0 \%$ to $\$ 114.1$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 74.1$ million at December 31, 2006. The increase in borrowings was attributable to the engagement of a $\$ 20.0$ million leverage transaction executed during the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and the use of an additional advance of $\$ 20.0$ million from the Federal Home Loan Bank to augment deposit growth in the funding of our loan portfolio. Long term Federal Home Loan Bank advances are primarily used to augment deposits as the Bank's funding source for originating loans and investing in Government Sponsored Enterprise, (GSE) investment securities.

Stockholders' equity decreased by $\$ 3.0$ million or $5.8 \%$ to $\$ 49.0$ million at September 30, 2007 from $\$ 52.0$ million at December 31, 2006. The decrease in stockholders' equity is primarily attributable to a decrease of $\$ 5.3$ million to repurchase 307,760 shares of common stock consistent with our previously disclosed stock repurchase plans and a $\$ 1.1$ million decrease as a result of three quarterly cash dividend distributions during the nine months ended September 30, 2007, partially offset by net income of $\$ 3.4$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and $\$ 44,000$ realized from the exercise of 5,296 stock options during the nine months ended September 30, 2007. At September 30, 2007 the Bank's Tier 1, Tier 1 Risk-Based and Total Risk Based Capital Ratios were 9.17\%, 13.01\% and $13.96 \%$ respectively.

## Results of Operations

## Three Months

Net income decreased by $\$ 435,000$ or $29.7 \%$ to $\$ 1.03$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 1.47$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in net income was due to decreases in net interest income and non-interest income and increases in non-interest expense and the provision for loan losses, partially offset by a decrease in income tax expense. Net interest income decreased by $\$ 65,000$ or $1.5 \%$ to $\$ 4.36$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 4.43$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. This decrease in net interest income resulted primarily from an increase of $\$ 55.4$ million or $13.4 \%$ in the average balance of interest bearing liabilities to $\$ 467.7$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 412.3$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and an increase in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities to $3.92 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $3.49 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The

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average balance of interest earning assets increased by $\$ 56.8$ million or $11.6 \%$ to $\$ 545.7$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 488.9$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006 while the average yield on interest earning assets was unchanged at $6.56 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006. As a consequence, our net interest margin decreased to $3.20 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from 3.62\% for the three months ended September 30, 2006.

Interest income on loans receivable increased by $\$ 427,000$ or $7.3 \%$ to $\$ 6.27$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 5.84$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in average loans receivable of $\$ 25.3$ million or $7.9 \%$ to $\$ 345.7$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 320.4$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006, partially offset by a slight decrease in the average yield on loans receivable to $7.26 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $7.30 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in average loans reflects management's philosophy to deploy funds in higher yielding instruments, specifically commercial real estate loans, in an effort to achieve higher returns. The decrease in average yield reflects the competitive price environment prevalent in the Bank's primary market area for commercial and construction loans.

Interest income on securities held-to-maturity increased by $\$ 270,000$ or $13.0 \%$ to $\$ 2.35$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 2.08$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. This increase was primarily due to an increase in the average balance of securities held-to-maturity of $\$ 13.8$ million or $8.7 \%$ to $\$ 171.8$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 158.0$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006, and an increase in the average yield on securities held-to-maturity to $5.48 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $5.27 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in average balance reflects management's philosophy to deploy funds in investments, absent an opportunity to originate higher yielding loans, in an effort to achieve higher returns.

Interest income on other interest-earning assets increased by $\$ 230,000$ to $\$ 323,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 93,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. This increase was primarily due to a $\$ 17.8$ million increase in the average balance of other interest-earning assets to $\$ 28.3$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 10.5$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and an increase in the average yield on other interest-earning assets to $4.57 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from 3.54\% for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in the average yield reflects the higher short-term interest rate environment for overnight deposits during the three months ended September 30, 2007 as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in the average balance primarily reflects the Bank's need to increase its liquidity in the anticipation of funding loans as to which commitments existed.

Total interest expense increased by $\$ 1.0$ million or $27.8 \%$ to $\$ 4.6$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 3.6$ million for the three months ended

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September 30, 2006. The increase resulted primarily from an increase in average interest bearing liabilities of $\$ 55.4$ million or $13.4 \%$ to $\$ 467.7$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 412.3$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006, and an increase in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities to $3.92 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from 3.49\% for the three months ended September 30, 2006.

The provision for loan losses totaled $\$ 200,000$ and $\$ 50,000$ for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The provision for loan losses is established based upon management's review of the Bank's loans and consideration of a variety of factors including, but not limited to, (1) the risk characteristics of the loan portfolio, (2) current economic conditions, (3) actual losses previously experienced, (4) significant level of loan growth and (5) the existing level of reserves for loan losses that are probable and estimable. During the three months ended September 30, 2007, the Bank experienced $\$ 61,000$ of charge-offs. During the three months ended September 30, 2006, the Bank recorded $\$ 38,000$ in recoveries. The Bank had non-performing loans totaling $\$ 1.7$ million or $0.48 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2007, $\$ 2.0$ million or $0.59 \%$ of gross loans at June 30, 2007 and $\$ 477,000$ or $0.15 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2006. The allowance for loan losses was $\$ 3.7$ million or $1.04 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2007, $\$ 3.5$ million or $1.05 \%$ of gross loans at June 30, 2007, and $\$ 3.7$ million or $1.15 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2006. The amount of the allowance is based on estimates and the ultimate losses may vary from such estimates. Management assesses the allowance for loan losses on a quarterly basis and makes provisions for loan losses as necessary in order to maintain the adequacy of the allowance. While management uses available information to recognize losses on loans, future loan loss provisions may be necessary based on changes in the aforementioned criteria. In addition various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the allowance for loan losses and may require the Bank to recognize additional provisions based on their judgment of information available to them at the time of their examination. Management believes that the allowance for loan losses was adequate at September 30, 2007, June 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006.

Total non-interest income decreased by $\$ 47,000$ or $15.3 \%$ to $\$ 261,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 308,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in non-interest income resulted primarily from a $\$ 43,000$ decrease in gain on sales of loans originated for sale to $\$ 108,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 151,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006, and a $\$ 4,000$ decrease in general fees and service charges to $\$ 153,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 157,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in gain on sale of loans originated for sale reflects the softening oneto four-family residential real estate market during the three months ended September 30, 2007.

Total non-interest expense increased by $\$ 381,000$ or $15.9 \%$ to $\$ 2.8$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 2.4$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. Salaries and employee benefits expense increased by $\$ 157,000$ or

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$12.0 \%$ to $\$ 1.5$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 1.3$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2006. This increase was primarily attributable to an increase in the number of full time equivalent employees to 92 for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from 82 for the three months ended September 30, 2006 as well as annual salary increases in conjunction with annual reviews. Equipment expense increased by $\$ 79,000$ to $\$ 487,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 408,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The primary component of this expense item is data service provider expense which increases with the growth of the Bank's assets. Occupancy expense, advertising and other non-interest expense increased by an aggregate of $\$ 145,000$ or $21.3 \%$ to $\$ 827,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 682,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in occupancy, advertising and other expenses was primarily attributable to $\$ 84,000$ in foreclosure costs associated with a loan facility placed into the real estate owned category during the three months ended September 30, 2007 and increases in expenses commensurate with a growing franchise. Other non-interest expense is comprised of directors' fees, stationary, forms and printing, professional fees, legal fees, check printing, correspondent bank fees, telephone and communication, shareholder relations and other fees and expenses.

Income tax expense decreased $\$ 208,000$ to $\$ 616,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 824,000$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006 reflecting decreased pre-tax income earned during the three month time period ended September 30, 2007. The consolidated effective income tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2007 was $37.4 \%$ as compared to $36.0 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2006.

## Nine Months of Operations

Net income decreased by $\$ 789,000$ or $18.7 \%$ to $\$ 3.4$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 4.2$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in net income was due to decreases in net interest income and non-interest income and an increase in non-interest expense partially offset by decreases in the provision for loan losses and income taxes. Net interest income decreased by $\$ 758,000$ or $5.6 \%$ to $\$ 12.7$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 13.5$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. This decrease in net interest income resulted primarily from an increase of $\$ 38.1$ million or $9.5 \%$ in the average balance of interest bearing liabilities to $\$ 441.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 403.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and an increase in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities to $3.79 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from 3.16\% for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The average balance of interest earning assets increased by $\$ 41.6$ million or $8.7 \%$ to $\$ 517.7$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 476.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and the average yield of interest earning assets increased to $6.51 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $6.45 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. As a consequence, our net interest margin

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decreased to $3.28 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $3.78 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006.

Interest income on loans receivable increased by $\$ 1.0$ million or $5.9 \%$ to $\$ 17.9$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 16.9$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in average loans receivable of $\$ 18.8$ million or $6.0 \%$ to $\$ 331.8$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 313.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, while the average yield on loans receivable remained static at $7.20 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and September 30, 2006. The increase in average loans reflects management's philosophy to deploy funds in higher yielding instruments, specifically commercial real estate loans, in an effort to achieve higher returns.

Interest income on securities held-to-maturity increased by $\$ 685,000$ or $11.9 \%$ to $\$ 6.5$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 5.8$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to an increase in the average balance of securities held-to-maturity of $\$ 10.4$ million or $7.0 \%$ to $\$ 159.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 148.7$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and an increase in the average yield on securities held-to-maturity to $5.41 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $5.18 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in average balance reflects management's philosophy to deploy funds in investments absent the opportunity to invest in higher yielding loans in an effort to achieve higher returns.

Interest income on other interest-earning assets increased by $\$ 553,000$ or $148.3 \%$ to $\$ 926,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 373,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. This increase was primarily due to an increase of $\$ 12.3$ million or $84.8 \%$ in the average balance of other interest-earning assets to $\$ 26.8$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 14.5$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and an increase in the average yield on other interest-earning assets to $4.60 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $3.44 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in the average yield reflects the higher short-term interest rate environment for overnight deposits in 2007 as compared to 2006. The increase in the average balance primarily reflects the Bank's need to increase its liquidity in the anticipation of funding loans as to which commitments existed.

Total interest expense increased by $\$ 3.0$ million or $31.4 \%$ to $\$ 12.55$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 9.55$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase resulted primarily from an increase in average interest bearing liabilities of $\$ 38.1$ million or $9.5 \%$ to $\$ 441.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 403.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, and an increase in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities to $3.79 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $3.16 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006.

The provision for loan losses totaled $\$ 200,000$ and $\$ 625,000$ for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The provision for loan losses is

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established based upon management's review of the Bank's loans and consideration of a variety of factors including, but not limited to, (1) the risk characteristics of the loan portfolio, (2) current economic conditions, (3) actual losses previously experienced, (4) significant level of loan growth and (5) the existing level of reserves for loan losses that are probable and estimable. During the nine months ended September 30, 2007, the Bank experienced $\$ 275,000$ in net charge-offs (consisting of $\$ 283,000$ in charge-offs and $\$ 8,000$ in recoveries), primarily as a result of the repossession of a loan to facilitate the construction of approximately ten residential units done in participation with another financial institution. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, the Bank experienced $\$ 30,000$ in net loan charge-offs (consisting of $\$ 68,000$ in loan charge-offs and $\$ 38,000$ in recoveries). The Bank had non-performing loans totaling $\$ 1.7$ million or $0.48 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2007, $\$ 323,000$ or $0.10 \%$ of gross loans at December 31, 2006 and $\$ 477,000$ or $0.15 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2006. The allowance for loan losses was $\$ 3.7$ million or $1.04 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2007, $\$ 3.7$ million or $1.16 \%$ of gross loans at December 31, 2006 and $\$ 3.7$ million or $1.15 \%$ of gross loans at September 30, 2006. The amount of the allowance is based on estimates and the ultimate losses may vary from such estimates. Management assesses the allowance for loan losses on a quarterly basis and makes provisions for loan losses as necessary in order to maintain the adequacy of the allowance. While management uses available information to recognize losses on loans, future loan loss provisions may be necessary based on changes in the aforementioned criteria. In addition various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the allowance for loan losses and may require the Bank to recognize additional provisions based on their judgment of information available to them at the time of their examination. Management believes that the allowance for loan losses was adequate at September 30, 2007, December 31, 2006 and September 30, 2006.

Total non-interest income decreased by $\$ 132,000$ or $13.9 \%$ to $\$ 815,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 947,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in non-interest income resulted primarily from a $\$ 131,000$ decrease in gain on sales of loans originated for sale to $\$ 358,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 489,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, and a $\$ 1,000$ decrease in general fees, service charges and other income to $\$ 457,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 458,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The decrease in gain on sale of loans originated for sale reflects the softening one- to four-family residential real estate market during the nine months ended September 30, 2007.

Total non-interest expense increased by $\$ 812,000$ or $11.3 \%$ to $\$ 8.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 7.2$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Salaries and employee benefits expense increased by $\$ 406,000$ or $10.5 \%$ to $\$ 4.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 3.9$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. This increase was primarily attributable to an increase in the number of full time equivalent employees to 92 for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from 82 for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 as well as salary increases made in conjunction with annual reviews. Equipment expense

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increased by $\$ 126,000$ to $\$ 1.4$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 1.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The primary component of this expense item is data service provider expense which increases as the Bank's assets grow. Occupancy expense increased by $\$ 72,000$ to $\$ 748,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 676,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Advertising expense increased by $\$ 27,000$ to $\$ 268,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 241,000$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in advertising expense relates to advertisements for deposit and loan promotions during the nine months ended September 30, 2007 as well as promotions highlighting the opening of our new office in Hoboken. Other non-interest expense increased by $\$ 181,000$ to $\$ 1.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 1.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The increase in other non-interest expense was primarily attributable to $\$ 84,000$ in foreclosure costs associated with a loan facility placed into the real estate owned category during the nine months ended September 30, 2007 and increases in other expenses commensurate with a growing franchise. Other non-interest expense is comprised of directors' fees, stationary, forms and printing, professional fees, legal fees, check printing, correspondent bank fees, telephone and communication, shareholder relations and other fees and expenses.

Income tax expense decreased $\$ 488,000$ or $19.9 \%$ to $\$ 1.96$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 from $\$ 2.45$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 reflecting decreased pre-tax income earned during the nine months ended September 30, 2007. The consolidated effective income tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2007 was $36.5 \%$ as compared to $36.8 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2006.

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## Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis of Market Risk

## Management of Market Risk

General. The majority of our assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. Consequently, one of the most significant forms of market risk is interest rate risk. Our assets, consisting primarily of mortgage loans, have longer maturities than our liabilities, consisting primarily of deposits. As a result, a principal part of our business strategy is to manage interest rate risk and reduce the exposure of our net interest income to changes in market interest rates. Accordingly, our Board of Directors has established an Asset/Liability Committee which is responsible for evaluating the interest rate risk inherent in our assets and liabilities, for determining the level of risk that is appropriate given our business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and for managing this risk consistent with the guidelines approved by the Board of Directors. Senior Management monitors the level of interest rate risk on a regular basis and the Asset/Liability Committee, which consists of senior management and outside directors operating under a policy adopted by the Board of Directors, meets as needed to review our asset/liability policies and interest rate risk position.

The following table presents the Company's net portfolio value ("NPV"). These calculations were based upon assumptions believed to be fundamentally sound, although they may vary from assumptions utilized by other financial institutions. The information set forth below is based on data that included all financial instruments as of June 30, 2007, the latest data for which this information is available. Assumptions have been made by the Company relating to interest rates, loan prepayment rates, core deposit duration, and the market values of certain assets and liabilities under the various interest rate scenarios. Actual maturity dates were used for fixed rate loans and certificate accounts. Investment securities were scheduled at either the maturity date or the next scheduled call date based upon management's judgment of whether the particular security would be called in the current interest rate environment and under assumed interest rate scenarios. Variable rate loans were scheduled as of their next scheduled interest rate repricing date. Additional assumptions made in preparation of the NPV table include prepayment rates on loans and mortgage-backed securities, core deposits without stated maturity dates were scheduled with an assumed term of 48 months, and money market and noninterest bearing accounts were scheduled with an assumed term of 24 months. The NPV at "PAR" represents the difference between the Company's estimated value of assets and estimated value of liabilities assuming no change in interest rates. The NPV for a decrease of 300 basis points has been excluded since it would not be meaningful, in the interest rate environment as of June 30, 2007. The following sets forth the Company's NPV as of June 30, 2007.

| Change in | Net Portfolio | \$ Change | \% Change | NPV as a \% of Assets |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Calculation | Value | from <br> PAR | from <br> PAR | NPV Ratio | Change |
| +300bp | \$ 33,810 | \$ $(33,347)$ | -49.65\% | 7.04\% | -567 bps |
| +200bp | 44,495 | $(22,662)$ | -33.74 | 8.99 | -372 bps |
| +100bp | 55,767 | $(11,390)$ | -16.96 | 10.91 | -180 bps |
| PAR | 67,157 | ---- | ------ | 12.71 | ----- bps |
| -100bp | 70,987 | 3,830 | 5.70 | 13.18 | 47 bps |
| -200bp | 67,260 | 103 | 0.15 | 12.34 | -36 bps |
| bp - basis poi |  |  |  |  |  |

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The table above indicates that at June 30, 2007, in the event of a 100 basis point decrease in interest rates, we would experience a $5.70 \%$ increase in NPV. In the event of a 100 basis point increase in interest rates, we would experience a $16.96 \%$ decrease in NPV.

Certain shortcomings are inherent in the methodology used in the above interest rate risk measurement. Modeling changes in NPV require making certain assumptions that may or may not reflect the manner in which actual yields and costs respond to changes in market interest rates. In this regard, the NPV table presented assumes that the composition of our interest rate sensitive assets and liabilities existing at the beginning of a period remains constant over the period being measured and assumes that a particular change in interest rates is reflected uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration or repricing of specific assets and liabilities. Accordingly, although the NPV table provides an indication of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time, such measurements are not intended to and do not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on our net interest income, and will differ from actual results.

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## ITEM 4.

## Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Principal Accounting Officer, the Company has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Principal Accounting Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. There has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

None.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no changes in the Company's risk factors since the filing of the Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Securities sold within the past three years without registering the securities under the Securities Act of 1933
Other than as stated below, the Company has not sold any securities during the past three years. In connection with the Plan of Acquisition completed on May 1, 2003 the Bank reorganized into the holding company form of ownership and each share of Bank common stock became a share of Company common stock. No new capital was received in the reorganization.

The Company conducted a secondary public stock offering during the fourth quarter of 2005. The Company sold $1,265,000$ shares of its common stock for an aggregate offering price of $\$ 19.3$ million. The Company offered $1,100,000$ shares of its common stock, (with an over-allotment option of 165,000 shares) to the public at a price of $\$ 15.25$. The stock offering was underwritten by Janney Montgomery Scott LLC on a firm commitment basis. The Company's registration statement on Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-128214) was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 13, 2005. The Company also filed a rule 462 registration statement on Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-130307) which was effective upon filing December 14, 2005. The sale of 1.1 million shares was completed on December 19, 2005, and the over-allotment was exercised in full on January 5, 2006.

During 2005, the Company announced a stock repurchase plan which provides for the purchase of up to 187,096 shares, adjusted for the $25 \%$ stock dividend paid on October 27, 2005. On April 26, 2007, the Company announced a second stock repurchase plan which provides for the repurchase of $5 \%$ or 249,080 shares of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock. This plan will commence upon the completion of the aforementioned plan. The Company's stock purchases during the last three months are as follows:

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| Shares | Average | Total Number <br> of | Maximum <br> Number of <br> Shares |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period | Purchased | Price | Shares | That May Yet |
| $7 / 1-7 / 31$ | 11,293 | $\$ 16.37$ | 11,293 | 133,722 |
| $8 / 1-8 / 31$ | 41,199 | $\$ 16.29$ | 52,492 | 92,523 |
| $9 / 1-9 / 30$ | 19,400 | $\$ 16.16$ | 71,892 | 73,123 |

## ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not applicable.

## ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

## ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit 31.1 and 31.2 Officers' Certification filed pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Exhibit 32.1 Officers' Certification filed pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

